State of South Caroling Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, each year more than 100,000 Americans, including almost two thousand from South Carolina, die from preventable causes and another 27 million suffer injuries serious enough to warrant treatment in an emergency room; and

WHEREAS, estimates for lost wages, medical obligations, property damage, employer costs, and other expenses related to fatal and non-fatal injuries exceed \$100 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, the leading causes of injury and death, including car crashes, falls, poisoning, choking, drowning, fire, and suffocation, are especially tragic because they are preventable; and

WHEREAS, traditionally, unintentional injuries and fatalities increase during the summer season making it an appropriate time to focus attention on reducing the risk of serious injury and death.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 2005 as

SAFETY MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about health and safety for home, work and play and to take the necessary steps to reduce the risk of serious injury and death.

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